

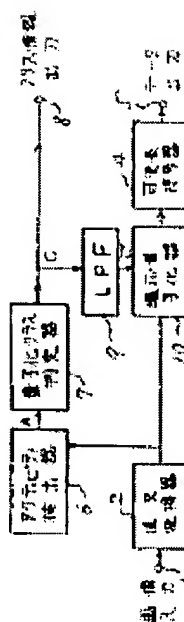
PICTURE CODER AND DECODER

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Abstract of JP4321391

PURPOSE: To improve the deterioration in the picture quality at an edge by discriminating a quantization class not in the unit of each block but over a wider range so that the quantization is not made rough in the edge part thereby implementing quantization in matching with the visual sense characteristic without increase in a mosquito noise.

CONSTITUTION: Class information C being an output signal of a quantization class discriminator mainly is inputted to an adaptive quantizer 10 via an LPF (low pass filter) 9. The class C is smoothed by the LPF9. The processing results from replacing the processing to a picture element by a conventional LPF with a class for each block. The class C' subject to filtering therein is converted into a multi-value and it is fed to the adaptive quantizer 10. The adaptive quantizer 10 quantizes a coefficient by using a value resulting from multiplying a control coefficient with a quantization step depending on the class C'.



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